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For:

OPTICAL MATERIAL CONTAINING CURABLE FLUORINE-CONTAINING

POLYMER

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction and Election of Species Requirement dated October 3, 2005. A Petition and payment for an extension of time for one month is submitted concurrently herewith. Applicants elect Group (I), claims 1-17 and Species (6) for prosecution, without traverse. Applicants do not believe that the references cited in the Office Action of October 3, 2005, namely, U.S. Patent No. 6,306,975 to Zhao et al., JP 2000/63682 A to Hasegawa et al. and JP 05/88026 A to Inamura et al., disclose or suggest the claimed fluorinated resin composition. The International Preliminary Examination Report is in accord. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application directed to non-elected subject matter. Early favorable action is respectfully requested.

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